

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7.	Satara	-	2000	10000	4616	202
8.	Solapur	10000	-	1500	-	23
9.	Nagpur	-	-	-	2024	147
10.	Beed	-	-	1000	1600	256
11.	Jalna	-	-	1000	-	114
12.	Latur	-	-	2000	1368	176
13.	Osmanabad	-	-	1500	1368	138
14.	Parbhani	-	-	5000	1000	209
15.	Ahmednagar	10000	-	1000	5854	166
16.	Aurangabad	10000	3000	-	920	103
17.	Nanded	-	-	-	1000	179
18.	Nasik	8500	1000	4500	1350	40
19.	Dhule	-	3000	-	1720	228
20.	Pune	61000	1000	2000	3504	145
21.	Akola	-	3500	-	2120	276
22.	Amravati	-	5000	-	450	295
23.	Bhandara	-	-	600	550	271
24.	Buldhana	-	-	2000	150	270
25.	Kolhapur	10000	-	2000	4036	83
26.	Chandrapur	-	5000	-	2544	318
27.	Wardha	-	-	2000	1650	229
28.	Yeotmal	-	-	1500	2300	176
29.	Gadhchiroli	-	-	-	-	276

[Translation]

#### Renovation of P & T Flats

1142 DR. BALIRAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government propose to affix tiles/kota stones in kitchens, bathrooms and toilets in the P & T Flats located in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof

(c) whether some representations have been received by the Government in this regard.

(d) if so, the action taken thereon, and

(e) the time by which the work is likely to be done?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) **Deptt. of Post** : Yes, Sir

**Deptt. of Telecom** : These facilities are being provided for newly constructed quarters as per the current norms of approved specifications. For the old constructed quarters also, cases are being processed and considered individually depending upon the

availability of funds and practical feasibility of making such provisions

(b) **Deptt. of Post** : It has been decided to fix tiles/kota stones in kitchens, bathrooms & toilets in all future works of staff quarters to be constructed for postal employees and in a phased manner for existing quarters.

**Deptt. of Telecom** : Estimates for providing these facilities in P & T flats under DOT have been prepared and are under examination. The approximate estimated expenditure is Rs. 50 lacs. Similar action is being taken by MTNL New Delhi for quarters under their control.

(c) **Deptt. of Post & Telecom** :

Yes, Sir

(d) **Deptt. of Post** :

Estimates for undertaking the work have been prepared and are under examination. The works will be executed in a phased manner colony-wise.

**Deptt. of Telecom** :

Cases are being processed for approval both for

quarters under DOT as well as MTNL New Delhi as already mentioned at para (a) above

(e) **Deptt. of Post :**

Time for completion will be fixed at the time of award of work for construction.

**Deptt. of Telecom. :**

Provision of these facilities in all old DOT quarters at New Delhi will be considered to be commenced from the financial year 1997-98 and their completion will depend upon availability of funds and feasibility. Similarly provision of these facilities in quarters under MTNL New Delhi is likely to be completed in the Financial Year-1997-98.

[English]

### **Recognition to Belur as International Railway Station**

1143 SHRI ANIL BASU Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government are aware of the long standing demand for recognition to Belur as International Railway Station

(b) if so the details thereof

(c) whether it is also a fact that visitors/tourists from different parts of the country and abroad are visiting Belur Math daily and

(d) if so the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to give due importance to Belur railway station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) to (d) On Indian Railways there is no nomenclature as International Railway Station. Passenger amenities on the station are however provided on the basis of tourist importance and volume of passenger traffic handled at the station and these are further augmented as and when so warranted depending on the growth in traffic subject to availability of funds and relative priorities. Most of the passengers travelling ex-Belur are daily commuters as Belur is a suburban station of Howrah Division. However to cater to visiting tourists of Belur Math an additional booking office has been provided on the Up platform of Belur railway station.

### **Backlog of Unfilled Reserved Posts**

1144 SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the position of backlog of unfilled posts reserved for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in the beginning of current year in Railways.

(b) whether the backlog has been cleared so far; and

(c) if not, the time by which it is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) Detailed below are the shortfall of SC/ST vacancies in recruitment categories existing as on 30.6.96 on the Railways.

	SC	ST
Group C	1010	1057
Group D	1251	1985

(b) and (c) As per the Department of Personnel & Training's directives a Special Recruitment Drive has been launched from 15.7.96 to wipe out the shortfall in recruitment categories existing as on 30.6.96.

In the above Special Recruitment Drive the following shortfall has been identified for clearance.

	SC	ST
Group C	936	950
Group D	1183	1646

The Drive will be completed by 31.3.1997.

### **Dissatisfaction of Foreign Tourists due to Prohibition**

1145 SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are aware of the dissatisfaction of foreign tourists due to prohibition in some States.

(b) if so the details thereof

(c) whether the tourism industry may be affected and inflow of foreign tourists may be declined due to prohibition in States

(d) if so the reaction of the Government thereto, and

(e) the steps taken to save tourism industry from any adverse impact?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) (a) There are no reports received in the Department to this effect.

(b) Does not arise

(c) Foreign Tourist arrivals has increased by 7.6% from January to October 1996 over the corresponding period of the preceeding year.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.